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TAGS: OVIP (SAMUELS, MICHAEL A.)

SUBJECT: ARRIVAL AT POST AND PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS

FOR AMBASSADOR SAMUELS (AF/W) FROM CHARGE

1. FOR PURPOSE SCHEDULING EXPEDITIOUS PRESENTATION OF CREDENTIALS, REQUEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE FIRM CONFIRMATION OF DATE YOUR ARRIVAL. CHIEF OF PROTOCOL STATES HE WILLING SEEK AND OBTAIN STATE HOUSE AGREEMENT TO DATE FOR CEREMONY AS SOON AS WE ABLE POSITIVELY ASSURE HIM OF SPECIFIC DATE BY WHICH YOU WILL DEFINITELY BE HERE BUT ADVISED ME TODAY OF SEVERAL NEW FACTORS WHICH STRONGLY SUGGEST NEED NOTIFY HIM OF CONFIRMED ARRIVAL DATE IMMEDIATELY. HAVE STEADILY ADVISED HIM OF TENTATIVE FEBRUARY 10 ARRIVAL DATE BUT HE REQUIRES CONFIRMATION PRIOR PROCEEDING.

2. CONTRARY PREVIOUS CONSTANT ASSURANCES OF "NO DIFFICULTY" IN ARRANGING PROMPT PRESENTATION, CHIEF PROTOCOL TODAY ADVISED THAT PRESIDENT STEVENS WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BE OUT OF COUNTRY DURING FIRST THREE WEEKS OF MARCH, PRINCIPALLY TO ATTEND COMMONWEALTH HEADS OF GOVERNMENT CONFERENCE. HENCE, HE SAID, IF PRESENTATION CANNOT BE ARRANGED DURING FEBRUARY, IT WOULD PROBABLY HAVE TO BE DELAYED UNTIL APRIL. CHIEF PROTOCOL FURTHER ADVISED THAT POSSIBLE CRUNCH BUILDING UP FOR ELIGIBLE FEBRUARY DATES. NEW LIBERIAN AMBASSADOR, WHO ALREADY IN TOWN, HAS JUST BEEN SCHEDULED PRESENT CREDENTIALS FEBRUARY 14, WHICH EARLIEST AVAILABLE DATE FOR HIM. CHIEF PROTOCOL ALSO TODAY ADDED COMPLICATING NEW FACTOR THAT STATE HOUSE RARELY WILLING

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SCHEDULE MORE THAN ONE PRESENTATION CEREMONY PER WEEK.

3. REGRET THIS NEW INFORMATION WAS NOT FORTHCOMING FROM  
CHIEF PROTOCOL EARLIER BUT IN ORDER HAVE GOOD CHANCE GET  
PRESENTATION DATE DURING FEBRUARY 17 TO 21, REQUEST YOU ADVISE  
IMMEDIATELY OF A DATE BEFORE THEN BY WHICH WE CAN ASSURE CHIEF  
PROTOCOL YOU WILL DEFINITELY BE IN FREETOWN.  
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